



REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL

August 3, 2015

Mel L. Cohen, Mayor

Sally W. Sandy, City Manager

Louis E. Vinay, Jr., City Attorney

John H. Cantrell)
Forrest A. Fleming) Councilmen
Sidney Simmons)
Ronnie Thompson)

Becky Brinkley, Interpreter

I. Call to Order in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 5:30 p.m.

II. Public Comment – 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Anyone wishing to speak during this time must sign in with the Clerk before the meeting begins, and upon being called will have 3 minutes to address the Council.

III. Business of the Council begins at 6:00 p.m.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

V. Invocation to be Given by the Rev. Dr. Andrew Smoke, Slades Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church

VI. Introduction of Council

VII. Consideration of Resolutions Honoring a Retiring City Employees

- Randy E. Beane – Collection Supervisor, Water Resources Department
- Grayson H. Morris – Equipment Operator, Public Works Department / Sanitation Division
- Charles W. “Bill” Perry – Sergeant, Public Safety Department

a. Consideration of Award of Service Weapon and Fire Services Helmet

VIII. Public Advocacy Issues and Strategies

a. Upcoming events:

- CoMMA: BackPorch Series

Margo and the Price Tags, August 8, 7:00 p.m.

Ash Breeze Band, August 20, 7:00 p.m.

Mainstage: *Supreme Reflections*, August 28, 7:30 p.m.

- Farmer's Markets: Saturdays behind the Old Depot

Wednesdays on North Green Street

- Third Thursday Art Crawl in Downtown, August 20 5-7 p.m.

- Historic Morganton Festival – September 11-12

b. Burke Substance Abuse Network Youth Initiative: Rhonda Cook, Joe Marks, Sarah Dergins

c. Tarheel Challenge Academy: Jim Bright, Recruiter

d. NCGFOA – Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

e. Drought Update: Brad Boris, Water Resources

IX. North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 Update

X. Consideration of Changing City Council Meeting Date for September 2015

XI. Consent Agenda – All items below are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member, staff member or citizen so requests. In the event a request is made, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered under Item XII.

A. Approval of Minutes – For a Regular Meeting held on June 1, 2015 and Special Meetings on June 22 and 29, 2015.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes as submitted.

B. Consideration of Tax Releases

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve tax releases in the amount of \$19,456.69.

C. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Etta Baker Memorial

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment to appropriate the receipt of a contribution for the Etta Baker memorial.

D. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Paving

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment to move budgeted paving funds between departments to reflect actual bids.

E. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Insurance

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment to appropriate the receipt of funds from an insurance claim and to appropriate funds for the repairs to a Public Safety vehicle.

F. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Shuey Park

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment to appropriate funds to re-roof the Shuey Park field house.

G. Consideration of Award of an Installment Purchase Financing Contract / Public Safety Vehicles

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Award an Installment Purchase financing contract for Public Safety Vehicles, \$420,000 to First Citizens Bank at an interest rate of 1.26% for a period of three years.

H. Consideration of Approving Resolution to Apply for a North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program Grant

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a Resolution authorizing Public Safety to make application for the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program Grant.

I. Consideration of a Resolution to Approve the Greater Hickory MPO Amended Memorandum of Understanding

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the Greater Hickory MPO Amended Memorandum of Understanding.

J. Consideration of Reduction of Speed Limit on a Portion of Independence Boulevard

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve an ordinance deleting the listing of Independence Boulevard from Carbon City Road to the Catawba River as a 55 mph speed limit, and clarify that the speed limit on the street is 45 mph.

K. Consideration of Reduction of Speed Limit in Three Subdivisions / Camelot, Winding Creek and the Silvercreek Neighborhood

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- i. Adopt an ordinance establishing a 25 mph posted speed limit within the Camelot subdivision including Camelot Drive, Woodsway Lane, and Woodsway Court.

- ii. Adopt an ordinance establishing a 25 mph posted speed limit within the Winding Creek subdivision including Winding Creek Drive and Clearwater Drive
- iii. Adopt an ordinance establishing a 25 mph posted speed limit within the Silver Creek neighborhood including Silver Creek Road, Rockview Lane, West Park Road, Walton Road, and Louise Street.

XII. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

XIII. New Business

A. Public Hearings and Actions

1. Public Hearing to Consider Amending the Zoning Ordinance to Allow Bed and Breakfast Inns Within the Neighborhood Conservation Overlay (NC-O) of the Medium Intensity District (MID)

Actions:

- 1. Motion to confirm that the requested amendment is in compliance with the Morganton Mission 2030 goals and objectives.
- 2. Motion to adopt a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to allow Bed and breakfast inns within the Neighborhood Conservation Overlay (NC-O) of the Medium Intensity District (MID).

2. Public Hearing to Consider Amending the Zoning Ordinance to Allow Correctional Facilities as a Permitted Use Within the High Intensity Districts (HID)

Actions:

- 1. Motion to confirm that the requested amendment is in compliance with the Morganton Mission 2030 goals and objectives.
- 2. Motion to adopt a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to allow Correctional Facilities within the High Intensity Zoning District (HID).

B. Other Business

- 1. Consideration of a Resolution Seeking Permission to Join State Health Plan
- 2. Consideration of Proposed New Ordinances Addressing the Problem of Dilapidated or Abandoned Non-Residential Buildings
- 3. Consideration to Award a Contract for the Bouchelle Street Pedestrian Improvements Project

4. Consideration of Consent to Assignment of Yianni's Lease

5. Consideration of an Appointment to the Board of Adjustment

XIV. Other Items from City Manager and City Council Not on Agenda

XV. Reports

XVI. Adjournment